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1. There is a Maszolahj (Hungarian-Russian Oil Company) oilfield about 30 km. northeast of Budapest. The field, which is to be further expanded, consists of about 300 production rigs, 250 drill rigs, and 100 gas rigs.
2. This field is about the size of the Matzen-Prottes area in Austria. Some of the Maszolahj wells are producing 250 tons of crude oil daily, but the average is 180-200 tons. The 5 1/2 - inch drill pipe is the largest dimension being used.
3. A refinery, presumably located in Budapest, processes the entire output, producing all types of petroleum products.

25X1 [] Comment: Nothing is known of an oil producing area of such proportions
so close to Budapest. It is possible that [] is actually referring to
25X1 the rather recent Mezökeresztes (J/4) field, which is, however, approximately
120 km. east of Budapest.

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